

CHESHIRE EAST COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of the **Cabinet**
held on Tuesday, 22nd September, 2009 at Committee Suite 1,2 & 3,
Westfields, Middlewich Road, Sandbach CW11 1HZ

PRESENT

Councillor W Fitzgerald (Chairman)
Councillor B Silvester (Vice-Chairman)

Councillors R Domleo, D Brickhill, D Brown, P Findlow, F Keegan, A Knowles,
J Macrae and P Mason

Councillors in attendance:
R Menlove and Rhoda Bailey.

Officers in attendance:
Chief Executive, Strategic Director Places, Head of Organisational
Development, Borough Treasurer and Head of Assets, Borough Solicitor,
Legal Services Manager and the Assets Manager.

106 **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

There were no apologies for absence.

107 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest.

108 **PUBLIC SPEAKING TIME/OPEN SESSION**

There were no questions from members of the public.

109 **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

RESOLVED

That the minutes of the meeting held on 15 September 2009 be approved
as a correct record.

110 **ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING**

RESOLVED

That the meeting be adjourned for a period of forty-five minutes so as to
allow time for a detailed location plan to be prepared and circulated.

111 **EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC**

That the press and public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following items pursuant to Section 100(A)4 of the Local Government Act 1972 on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972 and public interest would not be served in publishing the information.

112 **COUNTY HALL**

In accordance with Section 100(B) (4) (b) of the Local Government Act 1972 the Chairman had agreed that, by reason of special circumstances, this report should be considered as matter of urgent business as if a decision was not made at the earliest opportunity the transaction would be put in jeopardy because of related circumstances.

Consideration was given to the report of the Borough Treasurer and Head of Assets and to a plan referenced A1, dated 22 September 2009, with explanatory notes, which indicated (interalia) the areas of land to be sold and retained. In considering the recommendations contained in the report the Cabinet agreed that recommendation (1) should be clarified to refer to the plan circulated at the meeting, and that (2) should be expanded to include the Portfolio Holder (Procurement, Assets and Shared Services).

RESOLVED

For the reasons set out in the report and as now given: -

1. That the freehold interest in County Hall, Chester and associated land, in accordance with the plan referenced A1, dated 22 September 2009 and circulated at the meeting, be sold to Chester University upon the terms outlined in Section 11 of the report.
2. That the Borough Treasurer and Head of Assets, the Borough Solicitor and the Portfolio Holder (Procurement, Assets and Shared Services) be given delegated authority to finalise the details of the sale in accordance with the terms and conditions contained in the report.

The meeting commenced at 2.00 pm and concluded at 3.10 pm

W Fitzgerald (Chairman)